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VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re:

Application of Dowd Water Systems, Incorporated for Approval to Transfer the Water System Serving the Isle of Pines Subdivision to the Lexington County

Public Works Department **Docket No. 2005-236-W**

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please allow this correspondence to serve as notification that the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") does not oppose the transfer of the Isle of Pines Subdivision Water System to the Lexington County Public Works Department in the above-referenced docket. Dowd Water Systems, Inc. has provided service to seventeen customers in the Isle of Pines Subdivision. Pursuant to Commission Orders. No. 2003-66 and 2003-179, the Commission has required Dowd Water Systems, Inc. to keep the water system functional until an interconnection was facilitated with a municipal entity. The interconnection is now complete as Lexington County has extended lines to serve the Isle of Pines Subdivision and meters have been installed to provide service through the Town of Chapin for the seventeen customers. Dowd Water Systems, Inc. and the Lexington County Public Works Department have notified all customers of the transfer. Dowd Water Systems, Inc. has provided ORS with all requested information and ORS finds this transfer to be in the public interest. ORS respectfully requests that the South Carolina Public Service Commission approve the transfer and waive the notice of filing and hearing in this matter.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

Wendy B. Cartledge

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cc: Sue Dowd, Dowd Water Systems, Inc.

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